

In the Claims

The following listing of the claims replaces all previous listings.

1. (Currently Amended) A method for introducing an infusion device into a subcutaneous layer of skin of a patient, comprising:

providing an infusion device preloaded onto a needle of an insertion device so that the needle extends through a cannula of the infusion device, and a sleeve coupled to the insertion device that hides the needle prior to retraction;

positioning the insertion device adjacent to the skin of the patient;

allowing a patient to manually introduce the cannula of the infusion device into a subcutaneous layer of skin of the patient by manually moving the needle of the insertion device relative to the sleeve from a retracted position to an extended position; and

upon full manual insertion of the cannula by the insertion device and the insertion device reaching a trigger state, automatically ~~retracting~~ moving the needle of the insertion device from the extended position to the retracted position while leaving the ~~infusion device positioned on sleeve in contact with~~ the skin of the patient.

2. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the step of providing further comprises coupling a cap to the insertion device.

3. (Original) The method of claim 2, further comprising removing the cap prior to introducing the cannula into the subcutaneous layer of skin of the patient.

4. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the infusion device includes a site having the cannula, and a set, and the method further comprises coupling the set to the site of the infusion device positioned on the skin of the patient.

5. (Original) The method of claim 4, wherein the step of coupling the set to the site of the infusion device further comprises:

positioning the set in an unlocked position over the site;

positioning the set onto the site; and

moving the set from the unlocked position to a locked position to couple the set to the site and to introduce a needle of the set into a reservoir defined by the site.

6. (Original) The method of claim 5, wherein the step of moving further comprises sliding a first member of the set relative to a second member of the set to move the set from the unlocked position to the locked position.

7. (Original) The method of claim 5, further comprising moving the set from the locked position to the unlocked position.

8. (Original) The method of claim 7, further comprising:
reorienting the set rotationally relative to the site; and
moving the set from the unlocked position to the locked position to recouple the set to the site and to reintroduce a needle of the set into a reservoir defined by the site.

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21. (Previously Presented) A method for introducing an infusion device, comprising:
uncapping the insertion device to place the insertion device in a delivery state;
positioning a sleeve of the insertion device adjacent to skin;
allowing a patient to manually move a needle of the insertion device relative to the sleeve from the delivery state to a trigger state to thereby introduce a cannula of a site into the skin; and
automatically retracting the needle to place the insertion device in a retracted state.

22. (Original) The method of claim 21, further comprising:
preloading the site onto the needle of the insertion device; and
capping the insertion device to place the device in a ship state.

23. (Original) The method of claim 21, further comprising:
positioning a set of the infusion device over the site at a desired orientation with respect to the site; and

moving the set from an unlocked position to a locked position to couple the set to the site.

24. (Original) The method of claim 21, further comprising providing a tamper-evident seal on the insertion device.